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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversations with [] and [] re Project Aerodynamic

1. On 28 November I had a brief discussion on Project AERODYNAMIC with Acting Chief, SR in order to fill him in concerning our plans for FY 1960 and to give him my general thinking on the utility of this project. I emphasized that the main rationale of our support of the AECASSOWARY's was to have a foothold in the whole subject of Ukrainian nationalism in order to be able to exploit it in various parts of the world, with ultimate targeting, of course, at the Ukrainian SSR. I briefed him on the history of unsatisfactory staffing arrangements in SR Division, with responsibility divided at one time between 3 or 4 different staff elements. I explained further the basis for my desire to have someone acquainted with this activity and able to give it considerably more time and attention than I have done as Chief, SR/3, during this year. The appointment of [] as Chief, SR/3/PP will greatly ameliorate this situation.

2. Later on the same day I discussed the AERODYNAMIC FY 1960 budget with [] and []. [] stated that he was agreeing to the inclusion of our budget request ([]) for FY 1960. However, it will definitely be required of us by the spring of 1959 to justify this figure through concrete project planning and clear indication that the money requested will produce a useful operational gain.

3. [] expressed his views as to the utility of the various AERODYNAMIC activities approximately as follows:

a. He is definitely in favor of increased contact operations. He stated that he would go as far as to approve any increase in the budget if it could be put into the "cutting edge."

b. [] is not well disposed to any expansion of the newspaper operation. On this point we had a lively exchange in which I made clear my own view that an emigre newspaper had its great importance in serving as a focal and rallying point for the group, the symbol of the existence of Ukrainian emigres in the West. In other words, we are, admittedly, putting this much money into the mere shoring up of the group activities so that we will find a substantial basis for operations against the East. There is a firm movement to cut down on all PP/Op. ^{Part}

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including [] and []. In this connection the prolog panel should be carefully scrutinized to determine whether any of the writing being done is sufficiently in tune with our over-all objectives.

c. The suggested increase for the INFORMATION BULLETIN from \$7500 to \$12,000 was discussed at some length. Boris is not certain that the BULLETIN is well written and questions whether it is getting in sufficient ~~material~~.

d. Regarding Radio Madrid, it is presently the intent of SR Division to send a case officer out to have local contact with any assets which we put on the ground in Madrid. The question raised was whether we know enough about the individual we are subsidizing and particularly whether we have read the Radio Madrid scripts and would we come to any conclusion as to the quality of the propaganda output.

4. Considering the above questions, I think we might have another look at the project breakdown for FY 1960 with an eye to increasing certain categories and decreasing others.

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Chief, SR/3